

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. Of: ABBOTT, *et al.*
Filed: December 19, 2003
For: SHAPED HEATERS AND USES THEREOF
Examiner: Fastovsky, Leonid M. DOCKET: Thermo.1013

Commissioner for Patents
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Mail Stop Application

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the Application as follows:

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 08-1391

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